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MEMORANDUM FOR: Training Liaison Officers

SUBJECT : Non-CIA Area and Language-Area Programs Abroad

1. The Office of Training announces the following area and language-area programs at non-CIA facilities abroad, ^{which are contained attached hereto}. These programs have been developed for Headquarters personnel. They are strictly training programs. Operational activity or official association with the Agency or Agency personnel are absolutely prohibited during the training period.
2. Basic qualifications for all of these programs are: (a) bachelor's degree or equivalent; (b) competence to perform graduate studies; (c) above average aptitude in language (except for Program E); and (d) Top Secret Clearance.
3. It is requested that all personnel interested in any of these programs consult the Chief, Programs Division, Office of Training Room 5X1A9a 1301, I Building, x8518) for information and special instructions prior to the preparation of training requests.
4. It is requested that all correspondence and phone conversations on these programs refer to them by their titles below, as Program A, etc.
5. All personnel for whom training is requested in these programs must maintain proper security on a need-to-know basis with respect to the programs offered, the request for training, and subsequent action taken by the Office of Training on the request.
6. Opportunities for area or language-area training overseas are not limited to these programs. The Office of Training will develop and arrange other programs as various Offices indicate their needs.

Program AMATTHEW BARNES
Director of Training

Description of Program: This program consists of a year's intensive training in language and area in the United States and a further year of advanced language and area training in the Near East.

Length of Program: Two years, full time, beginning about 1 March 1953.

Agency Quota: 7

Due Date for Training Requests: 1 February 1953.

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Program B

Description of Program: This program consists of area experience and language study in the Middle East, South Asia and Africa.

Length of Program: Two years, full, time, beginning about 1 March 1953.

Number of Personnel to be Selected: 3

Special Qualifications Required: Program intended primarily for personnel grades GS-9 thru GS-13, but not limited to them.

Due Date for Training Requests: 1 February 1953.

Program C

Description of Program: This program consists of lectures and seminars on the military, economic and political structure of the Soviet Union and its European satellites, advanced Russian language training, field trips and special projects.

Length of Program: Two years, full time, beginning about 1 September 1953.

Agency Quota: 3

Special Qualifications Required: Demonstrated proficiency in the Russian language.

Due Date for Training Requests: 15 March 1953.

Program D

Description of Program: This program consists of area experience and language study [redacted].

Length of Program: Two years, full time, beginning as early as possible after 1 February 1953.

Agency Quota: 6, one for each country.

Due Date for Training Requests: 1 February 1953.

Program E

Description of Program: This program includes two weeks pre-area briefing in Washington, eight weeks in the Near East with lectures and seminars on the history, geography, geopolitics, and contemporary problems of the Near East, and three weeks of field trips to capitol and major cities of most of the countries in the Near East, including briefings at U. S. embassies and legations in the area.

Length of Program: 13 weeks, full time, beginning about 1 July 1953.

Agency Quota: 15

Special Qualifications Required: Program intended primarily for analysts, grades GS-9 thru GS-13, but not limited to them.

Due Date for Training Requests: 15 March 1953.

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